

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant ; Ted A. Loxley  
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For: PROCESS AND APPARATUS FOR CLEANING SILICON WAFERS  
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Petition for Extension of Time

Applicant petitions for a 4-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 and encloses payment of the \$720 extension fee. The payment is being made by two checks, one for \$640.00 and the other for \$80.00.

No additional fees are required for the accompanying amendment which reduces the total number of claims to 16 and the number of independent claims to 5. This application was originally filed with 30 claims including 8 independent claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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